



February 12, 2018

House Committee on Energy and Commerce
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Members of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce,

Ahead of the Committee's first hearing with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar, I write on behalf of Equity Forward to highlight issues of concern that we feel HHS has failed to adequately address. As a 501(c)(3), nonpartisan watchdog project, Equity Forwardⁱ seeks to ensure transparency and accountability among anti-reproductive health groups and individuals who are actively working to deny people access to services.

Of particular concern are the abuses and mismanagement of resources by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) under the direction of Scott Lloyd. Director Lloydⁱⁱ, a career political activist with no relevant experience running an aid- or refugee-focused organizationⁱⁱⁱ, has consistently overstepped his authority and imposed his personal beliefs on a vulnerable population. His well-documented efforts^{iv} to prevent women in his agency's care from exercising their right to access abortion care is not just troubling, it is unconstitutional, and the federal courts have agreed^v. It was also recently revealed that Director Lloyd inquired about having a young woman in his care undergo an experimental, unproven "abortion reversal" treatment^{vi}. As of yet, Secretary Azar has not discussed Lloyd's actions under oath or even publicly.

We have several questions for Secretary Azar on his management of ORR and Director Lloyd, including:

- Do you agree with Director Lloyd's actions in the cases of pregnant, undocumented minors?
- Will you commit to sharing how much of the public's money was spent by HHS in support of or in defense of Director Lloyd's privately-held beliefs? Expenses should include, but are not limited to travel costs^{vii}, Department of Justice^{viii} and HHS legal fees, and staff time to implement and defend Director Lloyd's actions.
- We know from records that have been made public that Director Lloyd inquired about having a young woman in his care undergo an "abortion reversal" treatment. Do you condone your agency directors pursuing experimental, unproven medical treatments that have been rejected as not credible by the medical community^{ix}?
- Do you have confidence in Director Lloyd and will you let him continue to serve on your team?

I thank you for your time and consideration. Enclosed please find additional background and documentation of the aforementioned issues. Please do not hesitate to reach out to discuss any of these issues further.

Sincerely, 

Mary Alice Carter
Executive Director, Equity Forward

ⁱ www.EquityFwd.org

ⁱⁱ Administration for Children and Families, Scott Lloyd, www.acf.hhs.gov

ⁱⁱⁱ Attachment 1, Edward Scott Lloyd Resume

^{iv} [Vox](#), "Why the Trump administration wanted a teen to get a scientifically unproven 'abortion reversal,'" 02/02/2018

^v [Washington Post](#), "Undocumented teen immigrant has the abortion she sought for weeks,"

10/25/2017; [Washington Post](#), "Judge clears abortions for two immigrant teens in U.S. custody," 12/18/2017

^{vi} [VICE](#), "Exclusive: Trump officials discussed reversing abortion for undocumented teen," 01/31/2018

^{vii} [The New Yorker](#), "The Trump Officials Making Abortion an Issue at the U.S.'s Refugee Office," 10/26/2017, "*Lloyd flew to Texas to meet with a pregnant girl living in an O.R.R. shelter, to try to persuade her not to have an abortion.*"

^{viii} Department of Justice, Solicitor General, Supreme Court Briefs, Docket Number 17-654, www.justice.gov

^{ix} American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), "Facts Are Important: Medication Abortion 'Reversal' Is Not Supported by Science," August 2017; ACOG, American Medical Association (AMA), and Arizona Medical Association (ArMA), amicus brief filed in the case *Planned Parenthood Arizona, Inc., et al v. Mark Brnovich, Arizona Attorney General, et al*, which was referenced in the Louisiana Department of Health "Legislative Report on 2016 House Concurrent Resolution 87: Study Related to Whether the Effects of an Abortion Induced with Drugs or Chemicals Can Be Reversed," www.dhh.louisiana.gov

Edward Scott Lloyd

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Knights of Columbus Public Policy Office – Washington, D.C.

SENIOR POLICY COORDINATOR, (2011 – Present)

- Architect of late-term abortion restriction that is law in six states and is a bill in U.S. House and Senate
- Draft legal analysis, Congressional testimony, comment letters for proposed rulemaking, policy strategy
- Three trips to Iraq for humanitarian work and research for Christians suffering persecution by ISIS
- Led team that compiled a 300 page legal brief and report which led to U.S. State Department and Congressional declaration of genocide against religious minorities in Iraq and Syria; Board of Directors passed resolution to commend the effort

LegalWorks Apostolate, PLLC – Front Royal, VA

ATTORNEY, (2009 –2011)

- General Practice: communications, family law, bankruptcy, contracts

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Office of the Secretary, Office of the General Counsel, General Law Division – Washington, D.C.

LEGAL COUNSEL, (2008 –2009) (left upon the completion of term)

LAW CLERK, (2007)

- Key member of team that drafted regulations and supporting materials to enforce Weldon Amendment, PHSA § 245, and 42 USC § 300a-7 to protect conscience rights of health care workers (OS, OGC)
- Legal research, analysis, and drafting for the Office of General Counsel
- Torts, contract, employment litigation (GLD)

United States House of Representatives Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources – Washington, D.C.

LAW CLERK, (2006)

- Prepared memoranda, research, and questions for the record for hearing examining the drug approval process for RU-486

Interim

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

-*Banning Dismemberment Abortions: Constitutionality and Politics*, Human Life Review, (Winter 2015).

-*Does Contraception Really Prevent Abortions? Abortion industry statistics indicate that the answer is not as simple as many claim.* The Federalist, (August 18, 2015).

-*The New Pollution: Big Abortion's Evolving Profit Structure and the US Health Care Reform Package*, with Arland Nichols, Zenit.com, (May 2, 2012).

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Brooklyn Amity School – Brooklyn, NY

SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER, Grades 3 – 8, (2003 – 2004)

Pioneer Academy of Science – Clifton, NJ

SOCIAL STUDIES / ENGLISH TEACHER, Grades 4 – 8, (2002 – 2003)

CAPE MAY COUNTY HERALD Newspaper– Rio Grande, NJ

HUMOR COLUMNIST, REPORTER, ASSISTANT EDITOR – SPECIAL SECTIONS, (2001 – 2002)

EDUCATION

**Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and the Family
at the Catholic University of America** – Washington, D.C. (part-time student)
Master of Theological Studies, Expected Fall 2020 (studies on hold b/c travel schedule)

The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law – Washington, D.C.
Juris Doctor, 2007

James Madison University – Harrisonburg, VA
Bachelor of Arts in English, 2001

SERVICE / MEMBERSHIP

Financial contributor, advocate for Trump / Pence campaign

Knights of Columbus, Council 7771, Front Royal, VA—Past Grand Knight, Trustee

Federalist Society, Member, annual Lawyers' Convention attendee

Front Royal Pregnancy Center, Front Royal, VA—Board Member

*Religious Education, Church of the Nativity, Burke, VA; St. Mark, Vienna, VA;
St. John the Baptist, Front Royal, VA*

Dear (b)(6)

Thank you for the call earlier. Please find my resume below.

I worked closely with Andrew Bremberg and Paula Stannard at HHS during the Bush Administration, and we've remained in touch. Together we worked on what became known as the Bush "Conscience Regulations" enforcing the Weldon Amendment, PHSA § 245, and the Church Amendment, and other projects. They asked me in November to draft some of the material for the first 100 days agenda, which I've completed and sent to Paula.

Salary history (w/o 401k match, bonuses):

2012:

2013:

2014: (b)(6)

2015:

2016:

Thank you,
Scott